## PENNSYLVANIA FARMER



Let us picture you as you are today in this year of rationing . . . and heroism, 1943. You've a slenderer-than-ever waist, you've a smoother-than-ever hips, your skirt is wide enough to leave you actionfree, but not too wide! Fads and furbelows you disdain with upturned nose. You're a woman of action, now . . . full of pep and patriotism, throwing all your excess energy, in some cases all of your energy, into the service of your country. Saving! Conserving! Salvaging! Working! That's you in 1943.

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To keep you looking your womanly best while your mind is far above the trivial ... that's the object of these pages. To help you save, conserve and salvage, too. Now cast your eye upon the opposite page. Note the all-important trend of today . . . toward shirtwaist dresses that open down the front, that open wide and flat in honest cooperation with the ironing board, toward the tailored look, simple and streamlined, toward a new Chinese look (Pattern A4252), highwrapped at the neckline, shorn of all fussiness. Turn the pages. You'll see . . . A group of patterns to be made with salvaged fabric . . . Junior Misses' and Children's Frocks . . . Frocks for Growing Girls. Suggestions for lengthening and widening their dresses . . . Two-piecers, Jumpers, Interchangeables, another great trend of today . . . Patterns to be used in remodeling your out-of-date dresses . . . Thrifty and thoughtful Christmas gifts . . . Smart, launder-easy House Frocks and Aprons . . . Defense Uniforms and Slacks . . . Free Glove and Bag pattern.

NEWS ABOUT FABRICS in a wartime world—Biggest news on the fabric front is the importance of rayon, especially spun rayon. Its many variations are among the most recent developments in the fabric field. Spun rayon fabrics sometimes have the look of wool. Though not as warm, they drape well, wear well, wash well and are easy to sew. Wool and rayon, wool and cotton mixtures are also popular this season.



Coming to the forefront is aralac, a brand new filament manufactured from casein (milk). Spun into yarn, it is the basis of a host of smartly textured and definitely wearable fabrics.

MIX AND JUGGLE YOUR COLORS —Now that dye is government-restricted the battle-cry is "Color for morale . . . color for its own sake . . . all colors while they last!" Don't be afraid to use your imagination . . . mixing two tones in a dress . . . even three, four or five. Let this color-freedom aid you in combining salvaged fabrics . . . in remodeling.

MENDING - IT'S BEING DONE! The good old patch, like Dobbin, the bob-tailed mare is on the road again! Women are learning to mend . . . learning how easy it is to cut a square of new fabric, boil it until it matches the old . . . lay it carefully over the thread-bare spot,

matching stripes or checks with an ease they never before thought possible. And, wonder of wonders in this age of infinite ingenuity, they're learning the possibilities of the patch as a new, smart decoration. Sweaters, worn at the elbows may now take on a new lease of life, sporting bright colored patches over the one-time ragged gaps. It's a smart idea introduced by the college girl. Gaily patched dirndl skirts are fun to wear with a patch-decorated sweater. And now we'll leave you with just a word of wisdom . . . it was wise in Eve's day, it's wiser than ever now . . . wherever you see a rip starting, take a stitch in time.

#### SHOWN ON FRONT COVER.

A4481-Frock. The smoothly-fitting contour of this simple princess frock accents your slim figure. Sizes 11 to 17, 10 to 18. Size 13, 33/8 yards 39-inch.





hauling out from the sanctum sanc-

torum of your wardrobe? That old

bath robe! Of course it's beyond

mending. But look at the good fab-

ric it will yield! That fabric will

ful apron (Pattern A4497), can be

made from the good parts of two

stained or worn table cloths, shown

here combining a solid-color cloth

and a checked one.











### OF GROWING IMPORTANCE



No longer is it necessary to discard Young Daughter's outgrown clothes. Neither is it necessary for still younger Sister to inherit them. Daughter's pet frocks may be so lengthened and widened that she can have at least an extra year's wear from each one. Here are a few hints that Mother will be glad to know. (1) A plain dress may be lengthened by adding bandings of printed material to the skirt and bodice. Edge banding with ric-rac. A very up-to-the-minute, peasanty effect is the result. (2) A printed cotton may be lengthened in the same way, by adding plain material. (3) Another method of lengthening a frock is to remove the skirt from the bodice, and cut it off several inches below the waistline to allow for extra fullness. Then join it to a wide hip band of new material that has been cut several inches larger than the old top. Lengthen the bodice by setting in a new yoke deeper and wider than the old one. (4) If Daughter has grown chubbier you may widen her dress, while, at the same time adding length, by inserting a new panel down the front . . . a new yoke across the shoulders. Panel and yoke may be cut in one piece. (See illustration.) Or several narrow panels may be inserted to widen the front and back sections of the dress. (5) One of the easiest methods of making an outgrown dress wearable is to remodel it into a jumper by cutting away the sleeve and under-arm portions . . . cutting the neckline lower and wearing blouse or sweater beneath. See reference to jumpers further back in this issue. Just a hint . . . In remodeling your Daughter's dress consider the present vogue for contrasting and harmonizing colors. It's smart to wear dark or bright touches with pastels. It's smart to wear red, green or watermelon pink with beige. It's smart to contrast bright and dark shades of green or tan.

A4475—Coat. Tops in style. Tops your frocks. Sizes 8 to 16. Size 10, 13% yards 54-inch.

A4473—Jumper Frock. Sizes 6 to 14. Size 10, jumper, 11/4 yards 54-inch; blouse, 11/4 yards 35-inch,

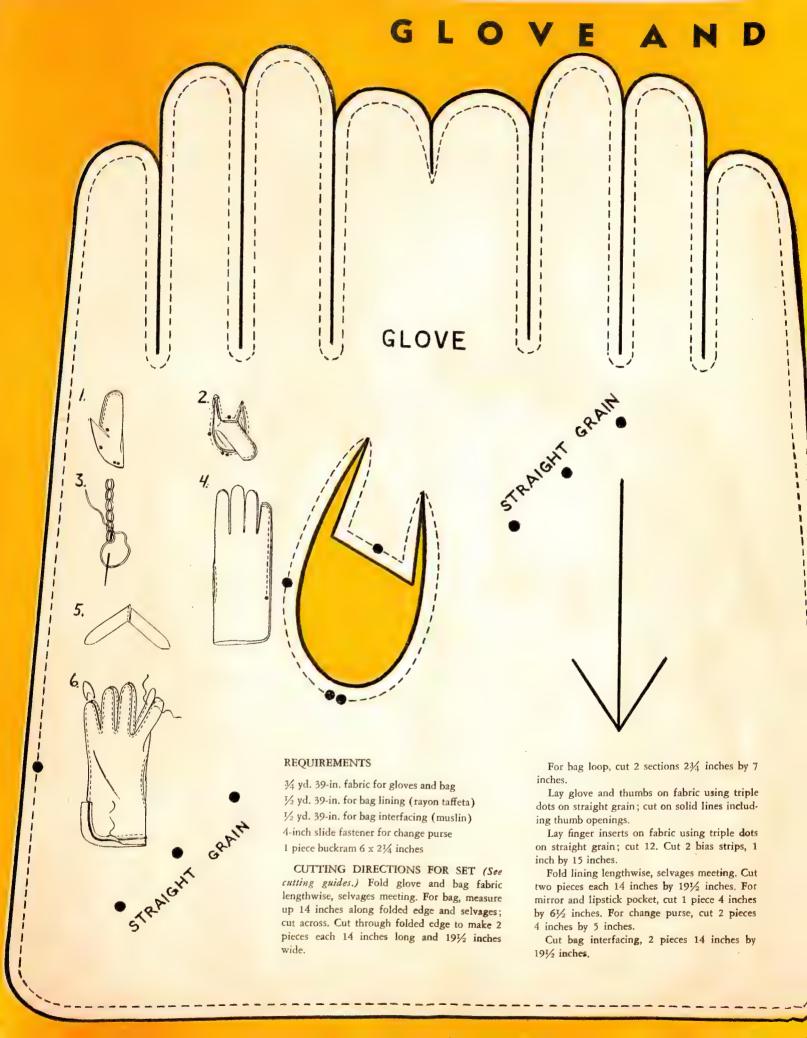


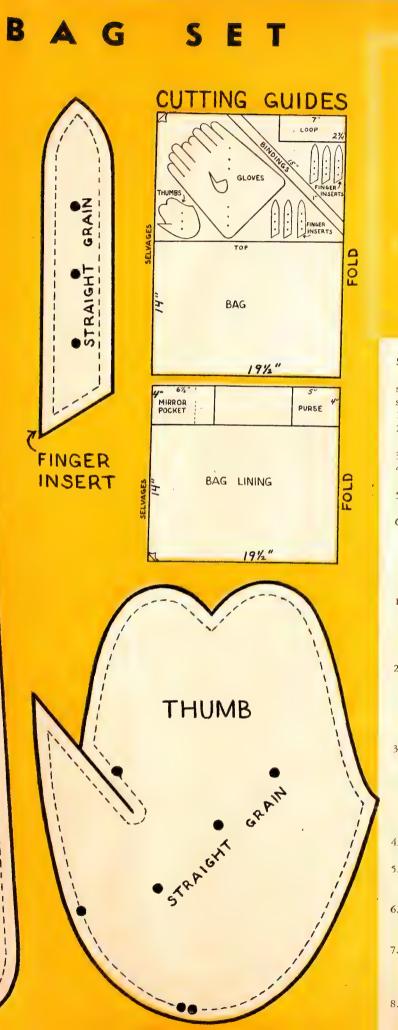














#### SEWING DIRECTIONS FOR GLOVES

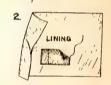
SIZE 6¾. (⅓ inch allowed for seams.) For smaller sizes, stitch seams deeper where necessary.

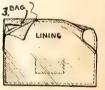
- 1. Fold thumbs lengthwise; stitch.
- Insert thumbs into glove sections, match ●; stitch.
- 3. If desired, chain stitch arrow motif.
- Fold glove sections lengthwise; stitch to ●, clip at ●.
- 5. Stitch 3 sets of finger inserts for each glove, always 2 together; form a right angle.
- 6. Stitch inserts, with shorter end toward palm side of gloves. Reshape inserts at top for shorter length fingers, Stitch bias bindings to upper edges and sides of gloves as far as . Turn and slip stitch bias on inside.

BAG-1/2 inch allowed for seams.

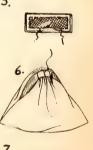
- Baste interfacing to inside of two bag sections. Seam edges of bag together, leave sides free 7 inches from top. Clip seams at ends of stitching at sides. Press top seam open. Turn bag right side out.
- Hem top of mirror pocket. Turn, baste under raw edges; stitch basted edges in place on one part of bag lining, as shown (about 3½ inches from lower edge). For lipstick compartment, stitch through pocket and lining 1½ inches in from side.
- 3. Seam lower edge and sides of lining parts, leave sides free 7 inches from top. Place bag inside lining, outsides meeting. Stitch top edges of lining together; stitch one side opening of bag and lining together as shown. Turn bag to right side, pulling through other side opening. Draw lining to inside.
- 4. Turn in raw edges of lining and bag and slip stitch together at side opening.
- Baste buckram inside of strip for ring. Face strip, stitch edges; leave opening. Turn; slip stitch opening.
- Bring strip through opening and over top of bag; slip stitch edges together. Tack slipstitched edge of ring to inside of bag.
- (Change Purse)—Baste under ½ inch at top of two sections for purse. Stitch lower edge and sides together, outsides meeting. Turn right side out.
- 8. Slip stitch basted edges to slide fastener.



















### JUMPER DRESSES GO EVERYWHERE



## THE TWO-PIECER TAKES THE SPOTLIGHT



In the center of the stage and winning loud applause are 1943's outstanding members of the two-piece family . . . the crisp, business-like suit-dress, round-the-clock favorite of smart women everywhere . . . the forthright and unaffected jumper frock, beloved of the junior miss; beloved, also, of her elder and more sophisticated sister.

Versatile stars, these! Take, first, the suitdress. It stands on its own without blouse or dickey. But by changing the character of your accessories, having them frilly or tailored, as the occasion may require, you've a basic dress that will take you to the office in the morning and furlough-dating in the evening. No wonder it gets a hand!

The jumper wins by force of personality. There's something so refreshing... so youthful about a jumper! You may vary its blouses to your heart's content. Or wear it with sweaters. (It's smart to contrast blouse and jumper.) If you're given to "hurry-up" dressing, you'll find your back, front or side buttoning jumper the easiest frock in the world to hop into. In two shakes of a lamb's tail you can not only be dressed but look well-dressed.

Your jumper may be made of any fabric. Rayon flannel, gabardine, corduroy are all good choices. But, best of all . . . try converting one of last year's dresses into a jumper. Take one which is slightly worn in the sleeves and under-arm parts. Just cut out the sleeves and worn under-arm portions, cut the neckline into a becoming shape and lo and behold, you have a bewitching jumper! Any of the jumper patterns illustrated on these pages may be used in this way.









A4269—Aprons. Sizes, small (32-34), medium (36-38), large (40-42). Small size, view A, 2½ yards 35-inch; view B, 1½ yds. 35-in.



A4440—Frock. There's accent on youth in the pert ruffles. Sizes 14 to 42. Size 16, 3¾ yards 35-inch.

A4455—Frock. Shoulder yokes, pointed neck, fitted waistline are young! Sizes 12 to 20. Size 16, 3¼ yards 35-inch.

A4459—Smock. You can dress it up with gaily appliquéd pockets. Sizes small (32-34), medium (36-38), large (40-42), extra large (44-46).

A4419 — Frock. Youthful princess style, designed to set off a young neck, accents a young waist, Sizes 12 to 20.



A4460—Aprons. Sizes, small (32-34), medium (36-38), large (40-42). Small size, View A, 3 yards 35-inch; view B, 2½ yds. 35-in.

A4510-Slacks Suit. Sizes 12 to 40. Size 16, 41/8 yards 35-inch.

A4509 - Overalls and Blouse. "Regulation." Fit beautifully. Sizes 12 to 20. Size 16, overalls,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  yards 35-inch; blouse,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  yards.

A4512\* - Work Uniform. Make this of stout denim, and no grease or grime can touch you. It fits closely at ankles. Sizes 14 to 20.

\* Department of Agriculture design.

A4513\* — Coverette. A comfortable wraparound with button-up ante wraparound with button-up anklets. Make it up in a strong wo-ven-stripe fabric. Sizes 12 to 40. \* Department of Agriculture design.



# A4514 - Ski Suit. Have fun or work out in the cold, open spaces in this snug suit. Make it of water A4507 - Apron. (Utility pockets repellent cloth. Sizes 12 to 20. for tools or recipes.) Sizes small (32-34), medium (36-38), large (40-42). Small, 31/8 yards 35-in. A4437-Frock. This button-front is perfect for home or factory . . . even office wear. Size 34 to 48. A4508 — Jacket. Sizes 12 to 40. Size 16 Jacket. 20 inch fabric. Size 36, 3 yards 39-inch. Size 16, 2/4 yards 39 inch fabric. A4510—Slacks Suit. Sizes 12 to 40. Size 16, 41/8 yards 35-inch. A4508-JACKET A4510-SLACKS SUIT

